

Town Council Meeting Minutes

Jan. 9, 2024

Attendees: Mayor Jamie Yeager, Comm. Deb Bush, Comm. Kelly Carver, Jeannette DeLude

Public Attendees: Jeannie Haddaway Riccio- Rauch Engineering , Virginia Richardson – Rauch Engineering

The meeting was called to order at 6pm

The Minutes from the previous meeting were approved as submitted

The treasurer's report was approved as submitted.

Rauch Engineering –

Jeannie gave an overview of the grants for town hall and train station and presented an agreement to be signed for their services.

Town Station - \$196,057

Town Hall - \$80,000

They discussed the tasks the firm would be completing, and the cost associated with the same.

The project progress was discussed and the funding agency process.

Comm. Carver made a motion to approve the proposal and Comm. Bush seconded. Unanimous approval was given and the contract was signed and returned to Rauch Engineering.

Public Works Report –

- Fall decorations removed at train station
- Decorated Christmas
- Checked on the park and the book library door was broken. He brought the books into to Town Hall. Some were donated to American Legion. Mr. Wayne will look at the box to see if it can be fixed. Mayor suggested maybe we could find a more durable box for the books.
- Took down Christmas decorations.
- Placed mouse traps and got 2 mice.
- Put decorations upstairs.
- Door alarms will be purchased this week and Mr. Wayne will install them.

Old Business – Tent

Comm. Bush updated Comm. Carver on the tent discussion and the agreement to purchase it from the Mayor. The Mayor said he would prefer that the two council members vote on it again since Comm. Carver wasn't at the last meeting. The Mayor paid \$1800 for the one in place. It was agreed to continue with the purchase.

Ms. DeLude advised the council that Mr. Cleveland would still be doing the flooring but he has some medical issues so it is pushed back to at least February.

Mayor updated on the Chaney agreement. Our attorney has been trying to get a response from their attorney but has not received a response.

Patuxent Materials asked about the status of the train station and the Mayor told him we are working on it still but waiting on funding to come through.

Comm. Carver asked about the status of the old School House. Ms. DeLude advised that the last she heard Jonestown was trying to get funding to move it. She will follow up with them. Would like it moved before spring. Mayor asked Ms. DeLude to ask the attorney what our legal options are if they don't move it.

New Business

Mayor reported that Wilbur Levengood did get a grant for Blessing of the planters from Choptank Elec. Coop which he gave to the town.

Comm. Carver asked about the Easter event. It was decided to just do a booth at the Blessing of the planters event since that is the week prior to Easter. Ms. DeLude suggested something with a Peter the Rabbit theme since that is more farm related.

The Mayor mentioned that we need to work on funding for New Street and Maple St. The suggestion was made to either get on County contract if they have anything at this time. It may not be an option since they did Goldsboro last year. Another option was for the Mayor to talk to Bramble. Asked Ms. DeLude to contact Greensboro to see if they could put some cold patch in for us if we paid for it.

Ms. DeLude advised we need to start working on the budget for next FY.

The Town reserved six for the Fire Dept Banquet.

Council comments – Mayor said we had a good year and he hopes we continue on that path for the upcoming year.

Sheriffs report – approved as submitted.

Meeting adjourned at 702pm